

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re application of:

NI *et al.*

Appl. No. 09/042,583

Filed: March 17, 1998

For: **Death Domain Containing
Receptor 5**



Art Unit: 1646

Examiner: Kaufman, C.

Atty. Docket: 1488.1310002/EKS/EJH

Preliminary Amendment

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In advance of prosecution, please amend the application as follows.

These amendments and remarks are responsive to the Final Office Action dated January 24, 2000, (PTO Prosecution File Wrapper Paper No. 12). Attached hereto is a Petition for a three-month extension of time to extend the time for reply from April 24, 2000 to July 24, 2000.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.